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ABSTRACT

This invention comprises a system for identifying persons by means of checks, badges, tokens, or the like. The system includes apparatus for analyzing the signature of the person to be identified to determine certain characteristics which can be digitally expressed; an encoder for encoding the digital information representing the signature; a card embosser for recording that digital encoding onto a check, token, badge, or the like; said token etc., which remains in the possession of the person to be identified; and apparatus for providing a check station at each location where the person is to be identified. The check station includes a surface upon which the person's signature is written, an encoding system, and a comparator for comparing the signature information recorded on the card, token, badge or the like and that produced at the station. The system can also be used to determine the authenticity of the badge, token, card or the like.

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